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S E C R E T TEHRAN 2656

BEIRUT PASS BAGHDAD, KUWAIT PASS ABU DHABI AND MUSCAT

E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MARR

SUBJECT: F-111 EXPANDED TRAINING

REF: CINCUSAFE 170901 Z APR 1973

WE DO NOT BELIEVE IT WOULD BE WISE TO DEPLOY F-111 AIRCRAFT TO BANDAR ABBAS FOR MARITIME SURVEILLANCE TRAINING DURING MAY AS PROPOSED REFTEL. VERY HIGH VISIBILITY MISSION OF THIS CHARACTER AT THIS TIME WOULD FUEL SUSPICIONS OF THOSE REGIONAL POLITICAL LEADERS WHO ARE DISPOSED TO BELIEVE US, ACTING ALONE OR IN CONCERT WITH IRAN AND OTHER FRIENDLY STATES, IS DETERMINED TO ASSERT DOMINATE ROLE IN GULF. NUMBER OF RECENT EVENTS RENDER PROPOSED FLY- IN PARTICULARLY UNTIMELY. WE HAVE IN MIND KUWAIT- IRAQ FIGHTING, VISIT OF SOVIET ADM GORSHKEV AND WARSHIPS TO IRAQ, PUBLIC ACKNOWLEDGEMENT BY PM HOVEYDA THAT IRAN IS AIDING OMAN IN  
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ITS CIVIL WAR, AND HEIGHTENED ANTI- US TENSIONS IN AREA FOLLOWING ISRAELI RAID ON BEIRUT. ADDITIONALLY, THERE WILL BE INCREASED SPECULATION AS TO US PLANNING FOR GULF AREA AFTER CHIEFS OF MISSION CONFERENCE AND VISIT OF GENERAL GOODPASTER, BOTH SET FOR NEXT WEEK.

THEREFORE WE URGE THAT DEMONSTRATION/ EXERCISE BE DEFERRED FOR SEVERAL MONTHS WHEN NEW READING OF SITUATION CAN BE TAKEN. SUCCESSFUL DEMONSTRATION OF F-111 DEPLOYMENT WAS ACCOMPLISHED IN TEHRAN LAST SEPTEMBER. IF SECOND FLY- IN IS TO BE PROPOSED TO GOI, BELIEVE CINCUSAFE SHOULD CONSIDER POSSIBILITIES FOR JOINT EXERCISE WITH IRANIAN AIR OR NAVAL FORCES. GOI IS SENSITIVE AS TO ITS ROLE IN MAINTAINING REGIONAL SECURITY, AND, IF FEASIBLE, WILL WISH TO DRAW SOME BENEFIT FROM USE OF ITS FACILITIES BY US.  
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